

October 21, 2015 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisors Chris Mayer, Ginger Schwanebeck, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present. Others present: Eric Johnson FYI News, John Dean, Roberta Gast, Norm Wetzel, Kay Hoff, Gary Szychlinski, Mike Strasburg from Lakeland Times

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Motion by Mr. Mayer and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve voucher numbers 48072-48100 from the General Fund account. Motion carried. Mr. Gaulke abstaining to avoid any conflict of interest as one of the checks is for his employer.

The minutes of the October 7, 2015 Regular Town Board meeting were presented for approval. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows: Un-reconciled balance of the General fund as of 10/15/2015 as \$982,076.25. Un-reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 10/15/2015 as \$417,494.66. There was not much activity this month. Treasurer Messinger did move \$100,000.00 from the tax account to the general fund today but it is not reflected on this report. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Timber sale bid opening: One bid was received for the timber cut project located at the transfer station site from Snow Ridge Lumber, Inc. out of Hurley, Wis. for \$19,117.00 along with a check for the required 10% bid bond (\$1911.70). Jake from the DNR Forestry was not able to be at our meeting today but will be in contact with us. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the bid from Snow Ridge Lumber, Inc. pending the DNR Forester's approval. Motion carried.

Propane bid opening: One bid was received from Ritchie Lakeland Oil and Propane. They offered 2 options. Option 1: Unlimited amount of gallons for Town Hall, Fire Dept. #1 and #2 at a guarantee price of .849 gallon – due 15 days from delivery. Option 2: A specified amount of gallons for the Town Hall, Fire Dept. #1 and #2 at a pre-purchased price of .749 gallon. Bid price good for 30 days. Full payment must be received within 30 days of accepted bid if pre-buying. The board had discussion that Option 2 would be the way to go but is questioning how we could pay for this out of the 2015 budget. Mr. Gaulke is going to ask Joe Ritchie if we go with the pre-purchased option using 10,000 gallons could we pay the entire amount after January 1, 2016 using the 2016 budget money. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to accept the Ritchie bid of .749 per gallon for 10,000 gallons if we can pay after the first of the year and if that is unacceptable go with the price of .849 for unlimited gallons. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to adjourn at 1:15 p.m. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Edwards
Town Clerk

Note: After the meeting Mr. Gaulke called Joe Ritchie at Ritchie Lakeland Oil and asked if we could do the pre-buy option of 10,000 gallons at the rate of .749 per gallon and pay for the entire amount after January 1, 2016 with the new budget funds for 2016. Mr. Ritchie agreed.